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MEMORIALIZATION COMMITTEE

Minutes

Date: 01/19/2021

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

City Staff: Jesse Moos (JM)

In attendance: Ellenor Barish (EB), Kerri Connolly (KC), David Guss (DG), Robert LaPointe (RL), Sara Marx (SM), Will Mbah (WM), Mary Jo Rossetti (MJR).

Absent: Steph Aman (SA),

Agenda:

Meeting was called to order at 6:04PM

The December minutes were **unanimously approved**.

Old Business

Discussion of naming a park at 1060 Broadway: The Park was officially opened last week without a name. Two candidates are Lou Ann David and Julie DiPasquale. MJR presented Julie DiPasquale with thoughts that Julie is a great candidate but perhaps the park isn't the correct location to honor her. JM presented Lou Ann David. KC called for a vote to name the park at 1060 Broadway Lou Ann David Park, **unanimously approved**.

Discussion of naming a new street outside of Boynton Yards between Windsor Street and Earle Street: JM proposed naming this new street after the inventor of Fluff, Archibald Query. The motion passed unanimously. There was a subsequent discussion and vote for what the suffix should be for the name. Adding "Way" at the end of the name passed with a 4-3 vote.

New Business

Assets to be named: JM presented some upcoming assets that the MC will be responsible of naming in 2021.





- Two streets in Assembly Row, these streets will be around the development at 290 Revolution.
- Two streets in the new Clarendon Hill Development, expected to come online in late 2022.
- Somerville High School, rooms, auditorium etc MJR suggested that JM to speak with Erica Mace about SHS. MJR started the conversation about the new high school field being named after Joe Mackey. WM discussed Ifeanyi Menkiti as a possible name for the SHS library. DG discussed John Holmes as a possible name for the SHS library.
- West Branch Library- are there naming opportunities? JM is going to follow up with Cathy Piantigini in libraries to discuss.

MJR asked that JM look into the Dedication Committee chaired by Clr Jesse Clingan to see what roles and responsibilities that the DC have that differ from the MC.

EB asked that JM look into how an asset is brought to the MC to be named. JM had been using the practice of when a City Staff member presents it to him; he then presents it to the MC. Can the community submit existing assets to be named?

KC will follow up with the subcommittee with MJR and SA to discuss how other communities name assets.

Additions to the Proposed, Not Yet Vetted Recommendation List

JM presenting Harold Cohen, **Unanimously approved.**

WM presenting Ifeanyi Menkiti, **Unanimously approved.**

DG presenting Philip Reavis, **Unanimously approved.**

DG presenting John Holmes, **Unanimously approved.**

Adjourned at 7:15 PM

Next meeting date: February 16th 2021

